

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A terminal for interacting with a service provider for accessing a remote service, the terminal comprising:

a controller ~~capable of~~ configured for actively operating an application, wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for receiving information from a RF transponder tag or a device adapted to operate as a RF transponder tag at least partially over an air interface, wherein the information includes a service type representing a service offered by the service provider, wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for contacting the service provider for accessing the service, and thereafter performing a predefined action based upon the service type, the application actively operating on the terminal, and a current state of the application when the controller receives the information, the controller being configured for performing different predefined actions for different states of the application.

2. (Currently Amended) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for performing a predefined action by receiving data from the service into an actively operating application when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of receiving data.

3. (Currently Amended) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for performing a predefined action by sending data to the service when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of presenting data, the data sent to the service comprising the data presented by the application.

4. (Currently Amended) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for receiving information further including a service locator representing a location of the service represented by the service type, and wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for accessing the service based upon the service locator.

5. (Currently Amended) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein the controller is further ~~capable of~~ configured for selecting a signaling tag before receiving information regarding the signaling tag, wherein the signaling tag comprises a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) transponder tag.

6. (Currently Amended) A terminal according to Claim 5, wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for sending an interrogation signal to the RFID transponder tag, and wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for receiving information from the RFID transponder tag in response to the interrogation signal.

7. (Currently Amended) A terminal according to Claim 5, wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for sending at least one interrogation signal to the RFID transponder tag, wherein each interrogation signal is associated with a different service type, and wherein the controller is also ~~capable of~~ configured for receiving a response from the RFID transponder tag to one of the at least one interrogation signal that triggers the response, and thereafter identifying a service type based upon the interrogation signal that triggers the response.

8. (Currently Amended) A terminal according to Claim 5, wherein the controller is ~~capable of~~ configured for selecting a signaling tag by passing the terminal within a predefined distance of a signaling tag.

9. (Currently Amended) A method of interacting with a service provider for accessing a remote service, the method comprising:

receiving information from a RF transponder tag or a device adapted to operate as a RF transponder tag at a terminal at least partially over an air interface, wherein the information includes a service type representing a service offered by the service provider;
contacting the service provider for accessing the service; and

performing a predefined action based upon the service type, an application actively operating on the terminal, and a current state of the application when the information is received, the predefined action differing for different states of the application.

10. (Original) A method according to Claim 9, wherein performing a predefined action comprises receiving data from the service into an actively operating application when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of receiving data.

11. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 9, wherein performing a predefined action comprises sending data to the service when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of presenting data, the data sent to the service comprising the data presented by the application.

12. (Original) A method according to Claim 9, wherein receiving information comprises receiving information further including a service locator representing a location of the service represented by the service type, and wherein accessing the service comprises accessing the service based upon the service locator.

13. (Original) A method according to Claim 9 further comprising:
selecting a signaling tag before receiving information regarding the signaling tag,
wherein the signaling tag comprises a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) transponder tag.

14. (Original) A method according to Claim 13 further comprising:
sending an interrogation signal to the RFID transponder tag, wherein receiving information regarding a signaling tag comprises receiving information from the RFID transponder tag in response to the interrogation signal.

15. (Original) A method according to Claim 13 further comprising:

sending at least one interrogation signal to the RFID transponder tag, wherein each interrogation signal is associated with a different service type;
receiving a response from the RFID transponder tag to one of the at least one interrogation signal that triggers the response; and
identifying the service type based upon the interrogation signal that triggers the response.

16. (Original) A method according to Claim 13, wherein selecting a signaling tag comprises passing the terminal within a predefined distance of a signaling tag.

17. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for interacting with a service provider for accessing a remote service, the computer program product comprising a computer-readable storage medium having computer-readable program code portions stored therein, the computer-readable program code portions comprising:

a first executable portion for receiving information from a RF transponder tag or a device adapted to operate as a RF transponder tag at a terminal at least partially over an air interface, wherein the information includes a service type representing a service offered by the service provider;

a second executable portion for contacting the service provider for accessing the service;
and

a third executable portion for performing a predefined action based upon the service type, an application actively operating on the terminal, and a current state of the application when the first executable portion receives the information, the predefined action differing for different states of the application.

18. (Original) A computer program product according to Claim 17, wherein the third executable portion is adapted to receive data from the service into an actively operating application when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of receiving data.

19. (Currently Amended) A computer program product according to Claim 17, wherein the third executable portion is adapted to send data to the service when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of presenting data, the data sent to the service comprising the data presented by the application.

20. (Original) A computer program product according to Claim 17, wherein the first executable portion is adapted to receive information further including a service locator representing a location of the service represented by the service type, and wherein the second executable portion is adapted to access the service based upon the service locator.

21. (Original) A computer program product according to Claim 17 further comprising:

a fourth executable portion for selecting a signaling tag before receiving information regarding the signaling tag, wherein the signaling tag comprises a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) transponder tag.

22. (Original) A computer program product according to Claim 21 further comprising:

a fifth executable portion for sending an interrogation signal to the RFID transponder tag, wherein the first executable portion is adapted to receive information from the RFID transponder tag in response to the interrogation signal.

23. (Original) A computer program product according to Claim 21 further comprising:

a fifth executable portion for sending at least one interrogation signal to the RFID transponder tag, wherein each interrogation signal is associated with a different service type;

a sixth executable portion for receiving a response from the RFID transponder tag to one of the at least one interrogation signal that triggers the response; and

a seventh executable portion for identifying the service type based upon the interrogation signal that triggers the response.

24. (New) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein the controller is configured for alternately performing a first predefined action when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of receiving data, and performing a second, different predefined action when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of presenting data, the application being in a state of either receiving data or sending data when the controller receives the information.

25. (New) A terminal according to Claim 24, wherein the first predefined action comprises receiving data from the service into the actively operating application, and the second predefined action comprises sending data presented by the actively operating application to the service.

26. (New) A method according to Claim 9, wherein performing a predefined action comprises alternately performing a first predefined action when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of receiving data, and performing a second, different predefined action when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of presenting data, the application being in a state of either receiving data or presenting data when the controller receives the information.

27. (New) A method according to Claim 26, wherein the first predefined action comprises receiving data from the service into the actively operating application, and the second predefined action comprises sending data presented by the actively operating application to the service.

28. (New) A computer program product according to Claim 17, wherein the third executable portion is adapted to alternately perform a first predefined action when the terminal is

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actively operating an application in a state of receiving data, and performing a second, different predefined action when the terminal is actively operating an application in a state of presenting data, the application being in a state of either receiving data or presenting data when the controller receives the information.

29. (New) A computer program product according to Claim 28, wherein the first predefined action comprises receiving data from the service into the actively operating application, and the second predefined action comprises sending data presented by the actively operating application to the service.